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## PETITION TO ACCEPT COLOR DRAWINGS UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2)

BOX PATENT APPLICATION Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## Dear Sir/Madam:

This petition is for the acceptance of color drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a)(2). Attached hereto are three sets of color drawings required for the submission of the subject application.

The specification includes the following language as the first paragraph of the "Brief Description of the Drawings" section in paragraph 7 of the specification:

The file of this patent contains at least one drawing executed in color. Copies of this patent with colored drawings will be provided by the Patent and Trademark Office upon request and payment of the necessary fee.

The reasons for the need for color drawings in this application are as follows:

The subject application discloses a method for color customization of paint coatings for products, such as automotive vehicles, painted in production facilities. The method includes selecting a hue and chroma that comprise a particular color from a color wheel that represents an infinite combination of hues and chromas. Absent the utilization of the color wheel or a similar device, the concept of selecting a customized color to be applied to a product in a production setting is not feasible. To identify a customized color, a point on the color wheel must be selected in order for the novel apparatus disclosed in the subject application to mix an appropriate ratio of base colored paints. The novel apparatus calculates

the ratio of base colored paints according to the paint selected on the color wheel. Accordingly, the color wheel depicted in the attached figures must be represented to provide adequate enablement of the claimed subject matter.

A check required to waive the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84 is included with this petition in the amount of \$130.00. If any additional fees are necessary, you are hereby authorized to charge such fees to deposit account no. 08-2789 in the name of Howard and Howard.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this Response to Petition to Accept Dolor Drawings Under 37 C.F.R. § 184(a)(2) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, mail label no. EL604399267US postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to BOX PATENT APPLICATION, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231 on June 15, 2001.

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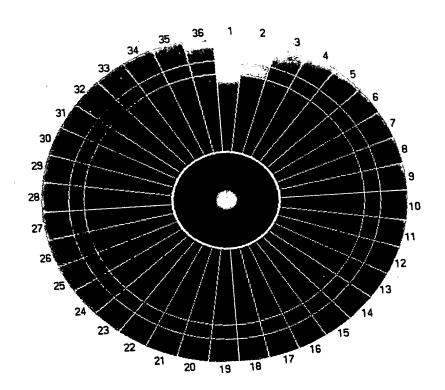


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